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Amendments to the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 2, paragraph [014] and replace with the following rewritten paragraph:

Figure 3: Shows the sequence of human interferon beta. Especially preferred sites for PPG attachment are indicated in bold. (SEQ ID NO:23)

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 2, paragraph [015] and replace with the following rewritten paragraph:

Figure 4: Shows the sequence of human interferon beta. Especially preferred sites for PPG attachment are indicated in bold. (SEQ ID NO:24)

Please insert the enclosed 4-page text entitled "SEQUENCE LISTING" immediately preceding the claims.